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### **NEWS RELEASE – BRUCELLOSIS**

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Effective January 1, 2007, Wyoming breeding cattle entering South Dakota will not be required to be tested for Brucellosis. Exceptions will be those cattle originating in the following six counties of western Wyoming: Lincoln, Hot Springs, Fremont, Park, Sublette, and Teton.

Dr. Sam Holland, South Dakota State Veterinarian, says, "Wyoming has finalized rules within the state, no longer requires a change of ownership test, and has demonstrated ability to maintain brucellosis free status." While producers may request a test of any breeding stock purchased, the test will no longer be mandatory for entry into South Dakota.

The South Dakota Animal Industry Board enacted Brucellosis test requirements for Wyoming cattle in February 2004, after cattle herds in Wyoming were determined to have been infected through contact with infected elk in the Greater Yellowstone area.

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